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CAL-FED BAY-DELTA PROGRAM  
1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155  
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Attention: Rick Breitenbach

July 17, 1999

Dear Mr. Breitenbach:

As a concerned lifelong resident of California, I find CALFED's PHASE 2 REPORT falls far short of properly balancing the solutions to California's significant water issues !

To consider increasing California's reliance on more dams and reservoirs when they are one of the primary causes of our already degraded river systems, is both further damaging to our fragile ecosystems and too costly. Increased water conservation measures by agriculture and municipal use coupled with more groundwater storage are better tools !

Additionally we need to supply more water for our endangered native fisheries and threatened San Francisco Bay and Delta.

Our organization, CalTrout, has worked hard for over 25 years to protect our streams and rivers, now we have another opportunity to adopt more environmentally friendly and less costly alternatives for us California taxpayers !

Sincerely,



CC: CalTrout  
Diablo Valley Fly Fishermen  
Trout Unlimited